

PATENT APPLICATION FEE DETERMINATION RECORD
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CLAIMS AS FILED - PART I

	(Column 1)	(Column 2)
TOTAL CLAIMS	6	
FOR	NUMBER FILED	NUMBER EXTRA
TOTAL CHARGEABLE CLAIMS	6 minus 20=	0
INDEPENDENT CLAIMS	1 minus 3 =	0
MULTIPLE DEPENDENT CLAIM PRESENT		<input type="checkbox"/>

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CLAIMS AS AMENDED - PART II

AMENDMENT A		CLAIMS REMAINING AFTER AMENDMENT		HIGHEST NUMBER PREVIOUSLY PAID FOR	PRESENT EXTRA	(Column 1)	(Column 2)	(Column 3)
	Total	* 15	Minus	** 20	=			
	Independent	* 4	Minus	*** 3	=			
FIRST PRESENTATION OF MULTIPLE DEPENDENT CLAIM							<input type="checkbox"/>	

SMALL ENTITY		OTHER THAN OR SMALL ENTITY	
RATE	FEES	RATE	FEES
BASIC FEE	385.00	OR BASIC FEE	770.00
X\$ 9=		OR X\$18=	
X43=		OR X86=	
+145=		OR +290=	
TOTAL	585	OR TOTAL	

SMALL ENTITY		OTHER THAN OR SMALL ENTITY	
RATE	ADDITIONAL FEE	RATE	ADDITIONAL FEE
X\$ 9=		OR X\$18=	
X43=	186	OR X86=	
+145=		OR +290=	
TOTAL ADDT. FEE	186	OR TOTAL ADDT. FEE	

AMENDMENT B		CLAIMS REMAINING AFTER AMENDMENT		HIGHEST NUMBER PREVIOUSLY PAID FOR	PRESENT EXTRA	(Column 1)	(Column 2)	(Column 3)
	Total	* 15	Minus	** 20	=			
	Independent	* 4	Minus	*** 3	=			
FIRST PRESENTATION OF MULTIPLE DEPENDENT CLAIM							<input type="checkbox"/>	

RATE		ADDITIONAL FEE	
X\$ 9=		OR X\$18=	
X43=		OR X86=	
+145=		OR +290=	
TOTAL ADDT. FEE		OR TOTAL ADDT. FEE	

AMENDMENT C		CLAIMS REMAINING AFTER AMENDMENT		HIGHEST NUMBER PREVIOUSLY PAID FOR	PRESENT EXTRA	(Column 1)	(Column 2)	(Column 3)
	Total	* 15	Minus	** 20	=			
	Independent	* 4	Minus	*** 3	=			
FIRST PRESENTATION OF MULTIPLE DEPENDENT CLAIM							<input type="checkbox"/>	

RATE		ADDITIONAL FEE	
X\$ 9=		OR X\$18=	
X43=		OR X86=	
+145=		OR +290=	
TOTAL ADDT. FEE		OR TOTAL ADDT. FEE	

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Docket No.: 28570/39829A
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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

re Patent Application of:
Joseph B. Kaul et al.

Application No.: 10/774,710

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Filed: February 9, 2004

Art Unit: 3673

For: **METHOD OF LINING A SURFACE WITH A
GEOSYNTHETIC CLAY LINER**

Examiner: M. Safavi

AMENDMENT IN RESPONSE TO NON-FINAL OFFICE ACTION

MS Amendment
Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
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Dear Sir:

INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS

In response to the Office Action dated March 17, 2005, please amend the above-identified U.S. patent application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 6 of this paper.

New claim 38 claims loading the roll of GCL between a pair of adjustable width alignment arms to sandwich the roll of geosynthetic clay liner therebetween. As shown in Fig. 3 of the Cardinal, Jr. '972 patent, for the purpose of temporarily protecting plants and the like, such material must be eventually rolled up, as shown in Fig. 3 of the '972 patent. When collected, the dispensing apparatus for each of the rolls are placed end-to-end (Fig. 3) which is impossible if the apparatus, as claimed by applicants herein, include adjustable width alignment arms disposed at each end of the rolls of material. Accordingly, it is submitted it also would not have been obvious to one skilled in the art to dispense the GCL from a pair of adjustable width alignment arms, added to the apparatus of Cardinal, Jr. since such a modification of the Cardinal, Jr. patent would make it impossible to re-roll or collect the multiple rolls of sheet material dispensed in the Cardinal, Jr. apparatus.

It is submitted that all claims are now of proper form and scope for allowance. Early and favorable consideration is respectfully requested.

Applicant believes no fee is due with this response. However, if a fee is due, please charge our Deposit Account No. 13-2855, under Order No. 28570/39829A from which the undersigned is authorized to draw.

Dated: June 17, 2005

Respectfully submitted,

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